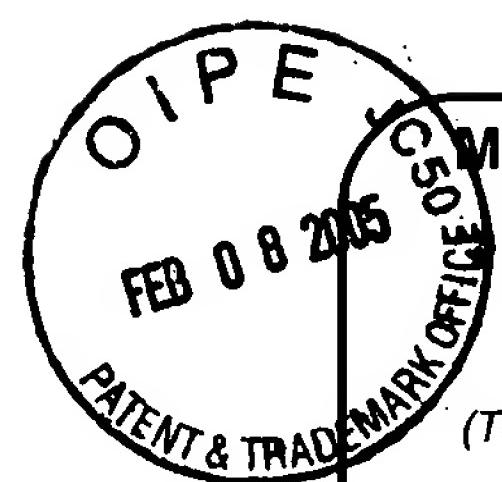


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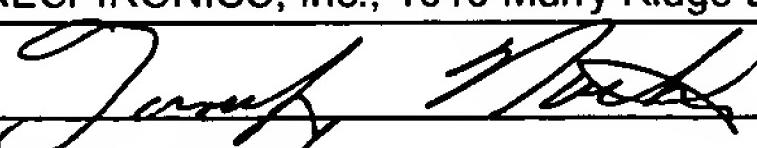
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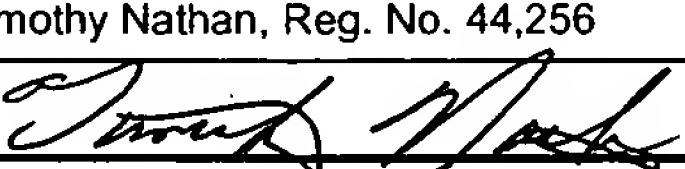
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In response to the Official Action dated November 16, 2004. Before acting on the merits of the present application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

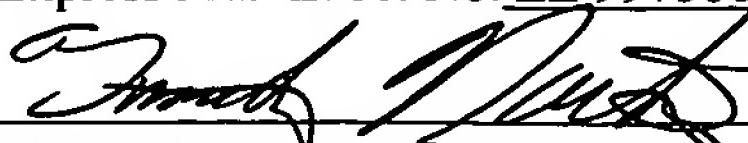
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